

HOUSE BILL No. 1972

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Citations Affected: IC 5-2; noncode.

Synopsis: School safety. Establishes the governor's council on safe schools. Requires each school corporation to designate a school safety specialist for the school corporation. Provides that a county may establish a county school safety commission, and requires the county commission to coordinate school safety plans for each school corporation represented by the commission and to make recommendations on various aspects of school safety. Provides that a school corporation or an accredited nonpublic school may apply for a grant from the safe school fund for school safety, emergency preparedness, or safe haven programs. Establishes a school safety specialist training and certification program within the department of education.

Effective: July 1, 1999.

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January 27, 1999, read first time and referred to Committee on Education. February 16, 1999, amended, reported — Do Pass; recommitted to Committee on Ways and Means pursuant to House Rule 127. February 25, 1999, amended, reported — Do Pass.



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A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 5-2-10.1-0.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 0.3. As used in this chapter,** "commission" refers to a county school safety commission established under section 10 of this chapter.

SECTION 2. IC 5-2-10.1-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 0.5.** As used in this chapter, "council" refers to the governor's council on safe schools established under section 8 of this chapter.

SECTION 3. IC 5-2-10.1-1 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 1. (a) As used in this chapter, "fund" refers to the Indiana safe schools fund established by this chapter.

(b) As used in this chapter, "accredited nonpublic school"

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1	means a nonpublic school that:
2	(1) voluntarily seeks; and
3	(2) receives;
4	accreditation as authorized under IC 20-1-1-6(a)(5).
5	(c) As used in this chapter, "nonpublic school" has the meaning
6	set forth in IC 20-10.1-1-3.
7	SECTION 4. IC 5-2-10.1-1.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
8	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
9	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 1.5. As used in this chapter,
10	"institute" refers to the Indiana criminal justice institute
11	established under IC 5-2-6.
12	SECTION 5. IC 5-2-10.1-1.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA
13	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS
14	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 1.7. As used in this chapter,
15	"safety plan" refers to any school safety plan required by the
16	Indiana state board of education.
17	SECTION 6. IC 5-2-10.1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS
18	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 2. (a) The Indiana safe
19	schools fund is established to do the following:
20	(1) Promote school safety through the:
21	(A) purchase of equipment for the detection of firearms and
22	other deadly weapons;
23	(B) use of dogs trained to detect firearms, drugs, explosives,
24	and illegal substances; and
25	(C) purchase of other equipment and materials used to
26	enhance the safety of schools.
27	(2) Combat truancy.
28	(3) Provide matching grants to schools for school safe haven
29	programs.
30	(4) Provide grants for school safety and safety plans.
31	(b) The fund consists of amounts deposited:
32	(1) under IC 33-19-9-4; and
33	(2) from any other public or private source.
34	(c) The institute shall determine grant recipients from the fund
35	with a priority on awarding grants in the following order:
36	(1) A grant for a safety plan.
37	(2) A safe haven grant requested under section 10 of this
38	chapter.
39	(3) A safe haven grant requested under section 7 of this
40	chapter.
41	(d) Upon recommendation of the council, the institute shall
42	establish a method for determining the maximum amount a grant



1	recipient may receive under this section.		
2	SECTION 7. IC 5-2-10.1-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS		
3	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 3. The Indiana criminal		
4	justice institute established by IC 5-2-6 shall administer the fund. Costs		
5	of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.		
6	SECTION 8. IC 5-2-10.1-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS		
7	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 6. (a) A school		
8	corporation or an accredited nonpublic school may receive a grant		
9	from the fund for programs, equipment, services, or activities included		
10	in a safe schools safety plan submitted with the application for funds		
11	to the Indiana criminal justice institute.		
12	(b) A safety plan submitted under this section must include		
13	provisions for zero (0) tolerance for alcohol, tobacco, drugs, and		
14	deadly weapons on school property. If the Indiana criminal justice		
15	institute approves the safety plan and application, the treasurer of state		
16	shall disburse from the fund to the applicant the amount of the grant		
17	certified to the treasurer of state by the Indiana criminal justice		
18	institute.		
19	SECTION 9. IC 5-2-10.1-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS		
20	FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 7. (a) As used in this		
21	chapter, "criminal justice institute" refers to the Indiana criminal justice		
22	institute established under IC 5-2-6.		
23	(b) As used in this section, "program" refers to a school safe haven		
24	program.		
25	(c) (b) A school corporation or an accredited nonpublic school		
26	may apply to the criminal justice institute for a grant for matching		
27	funds under this chapter to establish and operate a school safe haven		
28	program.		
29	(d) (c) A program must include at least the following components:		
30	(1) The school must be open to students of the school before and		
31	after normal operating hours, preferably from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., on		
32	days determined by the school corporation.		
33	(2) The program must operate according to a plan to do the		
34	following in the school:		
35	(A) Reduce alcohol, tobacco , and drug abuse.		
36	(B) Reduce violent behavior.		
37	(C) Promote educational progress.		
38	(e) (d) The criminal justice institute shall adopt rules to administer		
39	the program, including rules concerning evaluations by school		
40	corporations or and accredited nonpublic schools on the use and		
41	impact of grant money received through the program.		
42	SECTION 10. IC 5-2-10.1-8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE		



1	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
2	1, 1999]: Sec. 8. (a) The governor's council on safe schools is
3	established.
4	(b) The council has the following members appointed by the
5	governor and representing the following entities:
6	(1) The office of the governor.
7	(2) The office of the attorney general.
8	(3) The supreme court.
9	(4) The juvenile justice improvement committee.
10	(5) The state police department.
11	(6) The superintendent of public instruction.
12	(7) An organization representing public school
13	superintendents.
14	(8) An organization representing school boards.
15	(9) An organization representing school principals.
16	(10) The teacher organization that has the highest number of
17	members in Indiana.
18	(11) The teacher organization that has the second highest
19	number of members in Indiana.
20	(12) An organization that represents parents and teachers.
21	(13) An organization that represents caseworkers who work
22	with juveniles.
23	(14) An organization that represents attorneys who work in
24	the juvenile law area.
25	(15) A representative of the Prosecuting Attorneys Council of
26	Indiana who specializes in the prosecution of juveniles.
27	(16) Other individuals having a personal or professional
28	interest in safe schools.
29	(c) The term of a member of the council is three (3) years. A
30	member may be appointed for more than one (1) term.
31	(d) The members shall annually elect a chairperson.
32	(e) Each member of the council who is not a state employee is
33	not entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by
34	IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is, however, entitled to
35	reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under
36	IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection
37	with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and
38	procedures established by the Indiana department of
39	administration and approved by the budget agency.
40	(f) Each member of the council who is a state employee is
41	entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under

IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection



1	with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and
2	procedures established by the Indiana department of
3	administration and approved by the budget agency.
4	(g) The council shall perform the following duties:
5	(1) Review cumulative analyses of school safety needs and
6	grant requests submitted by county school safety commissions
7	under section 10 of this chapter.
8	(2) Assess the level of resources necessary to fulfill the grant
9	requests reviewed under subdivision (1).
.0	(3) Identify sources of funding and other resources necessary
.1	to fulfill the grant requests reviewed under subdivision (1).
2	(4) Make recommendations to the institute concerning safe
.3	haven grant requests under section 7 of this chapter and grant
4	requests under section 10 of this chapter.
.5	(h) The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members
.6	of the council are required for the council to take action on a
.7	measure.
.8	(i) The Indiana criminal justice institute (IC 5-2-6) shall serve
.9	as the administrative agency for the council.
20	SECTION 11. IC 5-2-10.1-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE
21	AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY
22	1, 1999]: Sec. 9. (a) Each school corporation shall designate an
23	individual to serve as the school safety specialist for the school
24	corporation.
25	(b) The school safety specialist shall be chosen by the
26	superintendent of the school corporation with the approval of the
27	governing body.
28	(c) The school safety specialist shall perform the following
29	duties:
80	(1) Serve on the county school safety commission, if a county
31	school safety commission is established under section 10 of
32	this chapter.
33	(2) Participate each year in a number of days of school safety
34	training each year that the council determines.
35	(3) With the assistance of the county school safety
86	commission, if a county school safety commission is
37	established under section 10 of this chapter, develop a safety
88	plan for each school in the school corporation.
89	(4) Coordinate the safety plans of each school in the school
10	corporation as required under rules adopted by the Indiana
1	state board of education.

(5) Act as a resource for other individuals in the school



1	corporation on issues related to school discipline, safety, and				
2	security.				
3	SECTION 12. IC 5-2-10.1-10 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA				
4	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS				
5	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 10. (a) A county may establish a				
6	county school safety commission.				
7	(b) The members of the commission are as follows:				
8	(1) The school safety specialist for each school corporation				
9	located in whole or in part in the county.				
10	(2) The judge of the court having juvenile jurisdiction in the				
11	county or the judge's designee.				
12	(3) The sheriff of the county or the sheriff's designee.				
13	(4) The chief officer of every other law enforcement agency in				
14	the county, or the chief officer's designee.				
15	(5) A representative of the juvenile probation system,				
16	appointed by the judge described under subdivision (2).				
17	(6) Representatives of community agencies that work with				
18	children within the county.				
19	(7) A representative of the Indiana state police district that				
20	serves the county.				
21	(8) A representative of the Prosecuting Attorneys Council of				
22	Indiana who specializes in the prosecution of juveniles.				
23	(9) Other appropriate individuals selected by the commission.				
24	(c) If a commission is established, the school safety specialist of				
25	the school corporation having the largest ADM (as defined in				
26	IC 21-3-1.6-1.1) in the county shall convene the initial meeting of				
27	the commission.				
28	(d) The members shall annually elect a chairperson.				
29	(e) A commission shall perform the following duties:				
30	(1) Perform a cumulative analysis of school safety needs				
31	within the county.				
32	(2) Coordinate and make recommendations for the following:				
33	(A) Preventing juvenile offenses and improving the				
34	reporting of juvenile offenses within the schools.				
35	(B) Proposals for identifying and assessing children who				
36	are at high risk of becoming juvenile offenders.				
37	(C) Methods to meet the educational needs of children who				
38	have been detained as juvenile offenders.				
39	(D) Methods to improve communications between agencies				
40	that work with children.				
41	(E) Methods to improve security and emergency				
42	preparedness.				



1	(F) Additional equipment or personnel that are necessary			
2	to carry out safety plans.			
3	(G) Any other topic the commission considers necessary to			
4	improve school safety within the school corporations			
5	within the commission's jurisdiction.			
6	(3) Provide assistance to the school safety specialists on the			
7	commission in developing and requesting grants for safety			
8	plans.			
9	(4) Provide assistance to the school safety specialists on the			
10	commission and the participating school corporations in			
11	developing and requesting grants for school safe haven			
12	programs under section 7 of this chapter.			
13	(5) Assist each participating school corporation in carrying			
14	out the school corporation's safety plans.			
15	(f) The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members of			
16	the commission are required for the commission to take action on			
17	a measure.			
18	SECTION 13. IC 5-2-10.1-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA			
19	CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS			
20	[EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 11. (a) The school safety specialist			
21	training and certification program is established.			
22	(b) The school safety specialist training program shall provide:			
23	(1) annual training sessions, which may be conducted through			
24	distance learning or at regional centers; and			
25	(2) information concerning best practices and available			
26	resources;			
27	for school safety specialists and county school safety commissions.			
28	(c) The department of education shall do the following:			
29	(1) Assemble an advisory group of school safety specialists			
30	from around the state to make recommendations concerning			
31	the curriculum and standards for school safety specialist			
32	training.			
33	(2) Develop an appropriate curriculum and the standards for			
34	the school safety specialist training and certification program.			
35	The department of education may consult with national school			
36	safety experts in developing the curriculum and standards.			
37	(3) Administer the school safety specialist training program			
38	and notify the institute of candidates for certification who			
39	have successfully completed the training program.			
40	(d) The institute shall do the following:			
41	(1) Establish a school safety specialist certificate.			
42	(2) Review the qualifications of each candidate for			



1	certification named by the department of education.	
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2	(3) Present a certificate to each school safety specialist that	
3	the institute determines to be eligible for certification.	
4	SECTION 14. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999] (a) As used in this	
5	SECTION, "council" refers to the governor's council on safe	
6	schools established by IC 5-2-10.1-8, as added by this act.	
7	(b) The governor shall make the initial appointments to the	
8	board not later than December 31, 1999.	
9	(c) Notwithstanding IC 5-2-10.1-8(c), as added by this act, the	
10	initial terms of the members of the board are as follows:	
11	(1) The member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(1), the	
12	member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(2), the member	
13	appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(3), the member appointed	
14	under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(4), and the member appointed under	
15	IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(5), for a term of one (1) year.	
16	(2) The member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(6), the	
17	member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(7), the member	
18	appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(8), the member appointed	
19	under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(9), the member appointed under	
20	IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(10), and the member appointed under	
21	IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(11), for a term of two (2) years.	
22	(3) The member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(12), the	
23	member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(13), the member	
24	appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(14), the member appointed	
25	under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(15), and the members appointed under	
26	IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(16), for a term of three (3) years.	
27	(d) The initial terms of the members of the board begin on	
28	January 1, 2000.	
29	(e) This SECTION expires January 1, 2004	7



COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Education, to which was referred House Bill 1972, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following: SECTION 1. IC 5-2-10.1-0.3 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 0.3. As used in this chapter, "commission" refers to a county school safety commission established under section 10 of this chapter.

SECTION 2. IC 5-2-10.1-0.5 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 0.5. As used in this chapter,** "council" refers to the governor's council on safe schools established under section 8 of this chapter.

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SECTION 4. IC 5-2-10.1-1.7 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 1.7.** As used in this chapter, "safety plan" refers to any school safety plan required by the Indiana state board of education.

SECTION 5. IC 5-2-10.1-2 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 2. (a) The Indiana safe schools fund is established to do the following:

- (1) Promote school safety through the:
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 - (B) use of dogs trained to detect firearms, drugs, explosives, and illegal substances; and
 - (C) purchase of other equipment and materials used to enhance the safety of schools.
- (2) Combat truancy.
- (3) Provide matching grants to schools for school safe haven programs.
- (4) Provide grants for school safety and safety plans.
- (b) The fund consists of amounts deposited:
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- (2) from any other public or private source.
- (c) The institute shall determine grant recipients from the fund with a priority on awarding grants in the following order:
 - (1) A grant for a safety plan.
 - (2) A safe haven grant requested under section 10 of this chapter.
 - (3) A safe haven grant requested under section 7 of this chapter.
- (d) Upon recommendation of the council, the institute shall establish a method for determining the maximum amount a grant recipient may receive under this section.

SECTION 6. IC 5-2-10.1-3 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 3. The Indiana criminal justice institute established by IC 5-2-6 shall administer the fund. Costs of administering the fund shall be paid from money in the fund.

SECTION 7. IC 5-2-10.1-6 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 6. (a) A school corporation may receive a grant from the fund for programs, equipment, services, or activities included in a safe schools safety plan submitted with the application for funds to the Indiana criminal justice institute.

(b) A **safety** plan submitted under this section must include provisions for zero (0) tolerance for alcohol, **tobacco**, drugs, and deadly weapons on school property. If the Indiana criminal justice institute approves the **safety** plan and application, the treasurer of state shall disburse from the fund to the applicant the amount of the grant certified to the treasurer of state by the Indiana criminal justice institute.

SECTION 8. IC 5-2-10.1-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 7. (a) As used in this chapter, "criminal justice institute" refers to the Indiana criminal justice institute established under IC 5-2-6.

- (b) As used in this section, "program" refers to a school safe haven program.
- (c) (b) A school corporation may apply to the criminal justice institute for a grant for matching funds under this chapter to establish and operate a school safe haven program.
 - (d) (c) A program must include at least the following components:
 - (1) The school must be open to students of the school before and after normal operating hours, preferably from 7 a.m. to 9 p.m., on days determined by the school corporation.
 - (2) The program must operate according to a plan to do the











following in the school:

- (A) Reduce alcohol, **tobacco**, and drug abuse.
- (B) Reduce violent behavior.
- (C) Promote educational progress.
- (e) (d) The criminal justice institute shall adopt rules to administer the program, including rules concerning evaluations by school corporations on the use and impact of grant money received through the program.

SECTION 9. IC 5-2-10.1-8 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 8. (a) The governor's council on safe schools is established.**

- (b) The council has the following members appointed by the governor and representing the following entities:
 - (1) The office of the governor.
 - (2) The office of the attorney general.
 - (3) The supreme court.
 - (4) The juvenile justice improvement committee.
 - (5) The state police department.
 - (6) The superintendent of public instruction.
 - (7) An organization representing public school superintendents.
 - (8) An organization representing school boards.
 - (9) An organization representing school principals.
 - (10) The teacher organization that has the highest number of members in Indiana.
 - (11) The teacher organization that has the second highest number of members in Indiana.
 - (12) An organization that represents parents and teachers.
 - (13) An organization that represents caseworkers who work with juveniles.
 - (14) An organization that represents attorneys who work in the juvenile law area.
 - (15) A representative of the Prosecuting Attorneys Council of Indiana who specializes in the prosecution of juveniles.
 - (16) Other individuals having a personal or professional interest in safe schools.
- (c) The term of a member of the council is three (3) years. A member may be appointed for more than one (1) term.
 - (d) The members shall annually elect a chairperson.
- (e) Each member of the council who is not a state employee is not entitled to the minimum salary per diem provided by

- IC 4-10-11-2.1(b). The member is, however, entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.
- (f) Each member of the council who is a state employee is entitled to reimbursement for traveling expenses as provided under IC 4-13-1-4 and other expenses actually incurred in connection with the member's duties as provided in the state policies and procedures established by the Indiana department of administration and approved by the budget agency.
 - (g) The council shall perform the following duties:
 - (1) Review cumulative analyses of school safety needs and grant requests submitted by county school safety commissions under section 10 of this chapter.
 - (2) Assess the level of resources necessary to fulfill the grant requests reviewed under subdivision (1).
 - (3) Identify sources of funding and other resources necessary to fulfill the grant requests reviewed under subdivision (1).
 - (4) Make recommendations to the institute concerning safe haven grant requests under section 7 of this chapter and grant requests under section 10 of this chapter.
- (h) The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members of the council are required for the council to take action on a measure.
- (i) The Indiana criminal justice institute (IC 5-2-6) shall serve as the administrative agency for the council.

SECTION 10. IC 5-2-10.1-9 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A NEW SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: Sec. 9. (a) Each school corporation shall designate an individual to serve as the school safety specialist for the school corporation.

- (b) The school safety specialist shall be chosen by the superintendent of the school corporation with the approval of the governing body.
- (c) The school safety specialist shall perform the following duties:
 - (1) Serve on the county school safety commission, if a county school safety commission is established under section 10 of this chapter.
 - (2) Participate each year in a number of days of school safety



training each year that the council determines.

- (3) With the assistance of the county school safety commission, if a county school safety commission is established under section 10 of this chapter, develop a safety plan for each school in the school corporation.
- (4) Coordinate the safety plans of each school in the school corporation as required under rules adopted by the Indiana state board of education.
- (5) Act as a resource for other individuals in the school corporation on issues related to school discipline, safety, and security.

SECTION 11. IC 5-2-10.1-10 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 10.** (a) A county may establish a county school safety commission.

- (b) The members of the commission are as follows:
 - (1) The school safety specialist for each school corporation located in whole or in part in the county.
 - (2) The judge of the court having juvenile jurisdiction in the county or the judge's designee.
 - (3) The sheriff of the county or the sheriff's designee.
 - (4) The chief officer of every other law enforcement agency in the county, or the chief officer's designee.
 - (5) A representative of the juvenile probation system, appointed by the judge described under subdivision (2).
 - (6) Representatives of community agencies that work with children within the county.
 - (7) A representative of the Indiana state police district that serves the county.
 - (8) A representative of the Prosecuting Attorneys Council of Indiana who specializes in the prosecution of juveniles.
 - (9) Other appropriate individuals selected by the commission.
- (c) If a commission is established, the school safety specialist of the school corporation having the largest ADM (as defined in IC 21-3-1.6-1.1) in the county shall convene the initial meeting of the commission.
 - (d) The members shall annually elect a chairperson.
 - (e) A commission shall perform the following duties:
 - (1) Perform a cumulative analysis of school safety needs within the county.
 - (2) Coordinate and make recommendations for the following:
 - (A) Preventing juvenile offenses and improving the









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reporting of juvenile offenses within the schools.

- (B) Proposals for identifying and assessing children who are at high risk of becoming juvenile offenders.
- (C) Methods to meet the educational needs of children who have been detained as juvenile offenders.
- (D) Methods to improve communications between agencies that work with children.
- (E) Methods to improve security and emergency preparedness.
- (F) Additional equipment or personnel that are necessary to carry out safety plans.
- (G) Any other topic the commission considers necessary to improve school safety within the school corporations within the commission's jurisdiction.
- (3) Provide assistance to the school safety specialists on the commission in developing and requesting grants for safety plans.
- (4) Provide assistance to the school safety specialists on the commission and the participating school corporations in developing and requesting grants for school safe haven programs under section 7 of this chapter.
- (5) Assist each participating school corporation in carrying out the school corporation's safety plans.
- (f) The affirmative votes of a majority of the voting members of the commission are required for the commission to take action on a measure.

SECTION 12. IC 5-2-10.1-11 IS ADDED TO THE INDIANA CODE AS A **NEW** SECTION TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999]: **Sec. 11. (a) The school safety specialist training and certification program is established.**

- (b) The school safety specialist training program shall provide:
 - (1) annual training sessions, which may be conducted through distance learning or at regional centers; and
 - (2) information concerning best practices and available resources;

for school safety specialists and county school safety commissions.

- (c) The department of education shall do the following:
 - (1) Assemble an advisory group of school safety specialists from around the state to make recommendations concerning the curriculum and standards for school safety specialist training.
 - (2) Develop an appropriate curriculum and the standards for







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the school safety specialist training and certification program. The department of education may consult with national school safety experts in developing the curriculum and standards.

- (3) Administer the school safety specialist training program and notify the institute of candidates for certification who have successfully completed the training program.
- (d) The institute shall do the following:
 - (1) Establish a school safety specialist certificate.
 - (2) Review the qualifications of each candidate for certification named by the department of education.
 - (3) Present a certificate to each school safety specialist that the institute determines to be eligible for certification.

SECTION 13. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999] (a) As used in this SECTION, "council" refers to the governor's council on safe schools established by IC 5-2-10.1-8, as added by this act.

- (b) The governor shall make the initial appointments to the board not later than December 31, 1999.
- (c) Notwithstanding IC 5-2-10.1-8(c), as added by this act, the initial terms of the members of the board are as follows:
 - (1) The member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(1), the member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(2), the member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(3), the member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(4), and the member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(5), for a term of one (1) year.
 - (2) The member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(6), the member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(7), the member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(8), the member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(9), the member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(10), and the member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(11), for a term of two (2) years.
 - (3) The member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(12), the member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(13), the member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(14), the member appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(15), and the members appointed under IC 5-2-10.1-8(b)(16), for a term of three (3) years.
- (d) The initial terms of the members of the board begin on January 1, 2000.
 - (e) This SECTION expires January 1, 2004.

SECTION 14. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999] (a) There is annually appropriated to the Indiana criminal justice institute eight million dollars (\$8,000,000) from the state general fund for its use in providing grants to school corporations for school safe haven











programs, emergency preparedness programs, and school safety programs beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001.

- (b) There is annually appropriated to the Indiana criminal justice institute seven hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$750,000) from the state general fund for its use in providing training to school safety specialists under IC 5-2-10.1-11, as added by this act, beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001.
 - (c) This SECTION expires June 30, 2001.

SECTION 15. [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1999] (a) There is appropriated to each school corporation in a county having a county school safety commission two thousand dollars (\$2,000) from the state general fund for use by the school corporation only to pay the school corporation's share of the expenses of the county school safety commission established under IC 5-2-10.1-10, as added by this act, beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2000.

(b) This SECTION expires June 30, 2000.

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1972 as introduced.)

PORTER, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 12, nays 0.





COMMITTEE REPORT

Mr. Speaker: Your Committee on Ways and Means, to which was referred House Bill 1972, has had the same under consideration and begs leave to report the same back to the House with the recommendation that said bill be amended as follows:

Delete the committee report of the committee on Education adopted February 16, 1999.

Delete the title and insert the following:

A BILL FOR AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning state and local administration.

Delete everything after the enacting clause and insert the following:

(SEE TEXT OF BILL)

and when so amended that said bill do pass.

(Reference is to HB 1972 as introduced and as amended by the committee report of the committee on Education adopted February 16, 1999.)

BAUER, Chair

Committee Vote: yeas 17, nays 4.

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